THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2006-107-W/S

IN RE:)	
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Application of United Utility Companies,)	**OBJECTION TO APPLICANT'S**
Inc. for adjustment of rates and charges)	**PETITION FOR REHEARING OR**
and modifications to certain terms)	**RECONSIDERATION AND,**
and conditions for the provision of)	**ALTERNATIVELY, REQUEST FOR**
water and sewer service.)	**APPROVAL OF BOND**
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Intervenor, North Greenville University (the University), respectfully submits this Objection to Applicant's Petition for Rehearing or Reconsideration and, Alternative, Request for Approval of Bond (the "Petition"). In particular, the University objects to Applicant's Request for Approval of Bond.

With Commission Order No. 2006-593 (the "Order"), the South Carolina Public Service Commission (the "Commission") rejected a settlement agreement proposed by the parties and further denied the Applicant's application for an increase in its rates and other charges. Applicant now attempts to sidestep the Commission's denial of its application by requesting that it approve a bond pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-240(D) (Supp. 2005.) in the amount of $92,631.00 so that Applicant may nevertheless proceed with the rate increase it originally requested. The University objects to the issuance of a bond in any amount on the grounds that the Commission's denial of Applicant's proposed rate increase specifically bars Applicant from increasing its rates and other charges. In the Order, the Commission addressed a number of concerns which prevented it from approving the proposed rate increase. The issuance of a bond does not address these concerns and therefore is insufficient to justify the rate increase.

Accordingly, the University objects to Applicant's Request for Approval of Bond and requests that the Commission deny the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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